

JAMES CARR.

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Mr. ALGER, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 2557.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 2557) granting an increase of pension to James Carr, have examined the same and report:

The report of the Committee on Invalid Pension of the House of Representatives, hereto appended, is adopted and the passage of the bill is recommended.

The House report is as follows:

Mr. Carr, now 60 years of age, served as a sergeant in Company L, Twelfth Missouri Cavalry, from January 15, 1864, to June 21, 1865, when honorably discharged.

He had a prior service as a private in Company A, One hundred and twenty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, from August 6, 1862, to May 13, 1863, when honorably discharged.

He was a prisoner of war from August 13, 1864, to April 19, 1865, when paroled.

He is now pensioned under the act of June 27, 1890, at \$12 per month for total disability due to partial loss of right foot, disease of heart, and lumbago.

He was formerly pensioned under the general law on account of lumbago at \$4 per month.

A claim on account of disease of kidneys was rejected upon the ground that a pensionable disability from that cause had not existed since the filing of the claim.

He lost his right foot as the result of a railroad accident at Mansfield, Pa., on November 25, 1871, and lost his left hand in 1893.

When last examined, in September, 1901, the board of surgeons found lumbago, loss of left foot, and amputation of left hand—thumb and palm remaining.

Papers on file in the Pension Bureau show that the soldier is unable to work, poor, and has a family of seven children dependent upon him.

The case of this soldier, who rendered over two years of service and who suffered the loss of a hand and a foot appeals to the sympathy of everyone.

In view of numerous precedents an increase of his pension to \$24 is deemed just and proper.

The passage of the bill is therefore recommended.

